GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH

ABSTRACT

Notaries Act, 1952 – Renewal of Certificate of Practice in respect of Advocates/ Notaries in the State of Andhra Pradesh – Orders – Issued.

REVENUE (REGN.II) DEPARTMENT

G.O.MS.No. 38 Dated: 12-02-2020

Read the following:-

: 1) G.O.Ms.No: 422 Rev. (Regn-II) Dept., dated 19.07.2013
2) G.O.Ms.No: 554, Rev. (Regn.II) Dept., dated 30.10.2013.
3) Government of India Gazette No: 273, dated 19.04.2016
4) Orders of Hon'ble High Court in W.P.No 9655 of 2016, dated 02.12.2016 and others.
5) G.O.Ms.No: 412 Rev. (Regn-II), dated 25.09.2019
6) From the Commissioner & Inspector General, Registration and Stamps, A.P., Vijayawada letter No.NR/7215/2018, dated: 10.02.2020.

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ORDER:-

In the reference 6th read above, the Commissioner and Inspector General, Registration and Stamps Dept., A.P., Vijayawada has furnished proposals to the Government for deletion of 913 names of notaries who have not applied, who were not traced, who expired and who were not practicing. He also requested to relax appropriately the time limit on the belated Cerificate of Practice renewal applications which are 1066 in number, within the limit as sanctioned by the Government of India.

2. In the reference 3rd read above the Government of India have fixed the number of Notaries for the State of Andhra Pradesh as 1306. As on today the total number of Notaries in the State is 2473 out of which the number of Notaries who did not apply for renewal of Certificate of Practice, not practicing and notaries expired are 913 cases. The Notaries with valid certificate of practice with renewals are 494 only. The applications received for renewal of Certificate of Practice with request for condonation of delay are 1066.

3. The Rule 8 (b) of Notaries Rules, 1956 is extracted below:-

> **"Renewal of Certificate of Practice:-** The certificate of practice issued under sub-rule (4) of Rule 8 may be renewed for a further period of five years on payment of prescribed fee. An application for renewal of Certificate of Practice shall be submitted to the appropriate Government before three months from the date of expiry of its period of validity."
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> Provided that the appropriate Government may, after considering the reasons stated in the application, relax the condition of submission of application for renewal of certificate of practice before the specified period."

4. Keeping in view of the decision of the Hon'ble High Court and the maximum limit sanctioned by the Government of India, and the services rendered by

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Notaries to the public, Government after careful consideration, as a one time measure and not to serve as a Precedent, decided to condone the delay up to four months in submission of applications for renewal of Certificate of Pratices, to limit the Notaries upto 1306 i.e., the limit fixed by Government of India for the state of Andhra Pradesh.

5. The Commissioner and Inspector General is directed to maintain a register of Notaries practicing and keep the check on the number of Certificate of Practices and supervise the functioning of the Notaries as sanctioned by the Government of India.

6. The Commissioner and Inspector General, Registration and Stamps, A.P., Vijayawada shall take further action accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

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To
The Commissioner and Inspector General, Registration and Stamps, Andhra Pradesh, A.P., Vijayawada
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//FORWARDED::BY ORDER//

SECTION OFFICER